

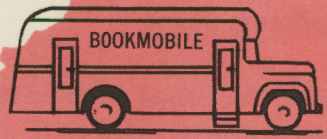
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RESUME OF GREENVILLE DEMONSTRATION

The Greenville County Library building on North Main Street looks much the same today as it did in July, 1961.

Maybe the ivy has grown a little, and there's a parking lot. But just to look at the place, three years haven't changed it much.

But the Greenville County Library has changed a great deal during the past three years. In 1961, its trustees voted to participate in a three-year demonstration program sponsored by the South Carolina State Library Board and supported by funds from the Library Services Act. And since that time, Greenville County's library has grown in all directions—and vastly increased its services to the people of Greenville County.

In order to qualify for participation in the State Library Board's demonstration program, the County's library service had to be administered on a county-wide basis, and this was accomplished in 1961 by the consolidation of the Greenville Public Library and the Greenville County Library.

Immediately the library began an expansion program. During the ensuing three years, it increased its book collection from 152,083 volumes to 175,281. It added now-thriving new branches at Mauldin and Travelers Rest, bringing its branches to seven. It purchased two new bookmobiles and replaced two that were worn out. It increased its staff from 28 to 46, adding a reference librarian, a children's librarian, and adult consultant, and trained personnel in its branches.

New equipment was also provided. Microfilm reader-printer, book copier, tape recorder, slide projector, typewriters, book trucks, water fountains, air conditioners for branches, all these took their places in the new program.

In addition, hours were lengthened at the branches. Bookmobile service was started within the City of Greenville. Additional stocks were added to the Archives Room. New emphasis was given to building special collections: Business, textiles, South Caroliniana, art. The Library itself—old, and in many ways inadequate, was made more inviting with improved arranging, lighting, paint.

L. Marion Moshier, nationally prominent library consultant, was retained jointly by the State Library Board and Greenville County Library to evaluate extension services. Many of her recommendations for the improvement of services to the County have been adopted.

How was all this made possible? It took money, and the wise use of money. At the time of library consolidation the Greenville County Legislative Delegation provided a much-needed and long-awaited stimulus for better library service by establishing a 2 1/2 mill tax levy, county-wide, for library purposes. And funds allocated under provisions of the Library Services Act provided \$45,000 over the three-year demonstration period. Thus the Library was able to begin operation in July, 1961, with a budget of \$206,760.05—more than double the budget of the previous year. The Library budget for fiscal 1964 was \$198,000.00.

The Greenville County Library still has many needs. Continuing its emphasis on securing professionally trained personnel, it participates in the State Library Board's intern and graduate scholarship programs which are successfully increasing the supply and upgrading the skills of library personnel throughout the state. Its Head Librarian, Charles Stow, hopes to build a book collection which will meet American Library Association minimum standards of one volume per person in the County. And a new public library building is one of the County's most obvious, indeed, one of its most desperate, needs.

"But we can give good service under adverse conditions," Mr. Stow said this week. "With a small collection and a good staff we can give good service. And our primary purpose is to give good service to every patron in Greenville County."

One of the prime factors in bringing about the Library's progress has been its intensely active Friends of the Library group, whose present President is Arthur Magill, and its dedicated Board of Trustees, headed by Dr. George Mackey Grimball.

SELA REPRESENTATIVE

Frances B. Reid, Head of the Extension Department, Spartanburg County Library, is the new South Carolina member of the Executive Board of the Southeastern Library Association. Miss Reid succeeds Emily Sanders, Librarian, Charleston County Library.

BEAUFORT TO DEDICATE NEW COUNTY LIBRARY BUILDING

The Beaufort County Library will dedicate its new headquarters building on Sunday afternoon, August 30, at 3:00 p.m. The new building is directly across the street from the present library and is located near the center of Beaufort.

The new structure is the result of cooperation between city, county, state, and federal government. The City of Beaufort traded its city office building for the old library building which lacked space for the expansion needed by the library. The County appropriated approximately \$23,000, and the Federal government made a grant of some \$33,000 through the Community Facilities Administration for the building. The South Carolina State Library Board has been cooperating in a demonstration of county library service in Beaufort County for the past three years, and through its scholarship program was able to secure a professionally trained librarian for the county library system.

Mr. Larry Rogers of Hilton Head is the Chairman of the Beaufort County Library Board and Ray Peppers is Librarian.

NO LSCA APPROPRIATION YET

To date Congress has taken no action on the bill appropriating funds for implementing the Library Services and Construction Act. The Senate Appropriation Subcommittee concluded hearings July 1 and is expected to report favorably to the full Senate Committee on appropriations at an early date.

SLB AWARDS 1964-65 SCHOLARSHIPS

Continuing its personnel program designed to provide trained librarians for South Carolina public library systems, the State Library Board has awarded scholarships to four applicants.

Mary Catherine Tanner, a 1964 graduate of Coker College, will attend the School of Library Science, Simmons College, Boston, beginning in September. Miss Tanner is from Georgetown and is sponsored by the Newberry-Saluda Regional Library and will return there upon completion of the requirements for a degree from Simmons.

Lillian Louise Marcum, Easley, S. C., who graduated from Furman University in 1954 and who has had teaching experience at Anderson Junior College and the Anderson County Schools and who was a bookmobile assistant at the Pickens County Library, is already enrolled at Louisiana State University. Miss Marcum is sponsored by the Oconee County Library and will assume the duties of county library after her graduation.

Annie Katherine Warner of Batesburg, a spring 1964 graduate of Winthrop College, will enter the Emory University Division of Librarianship in September. Anderson County Library is sponsoring Miss Warner, and she will join its staff in 1965.

Patricia Mercer, a native of Cairo, Georgia, who graduated from the Woman's College of Georgia in 1964, will attend the Department of Library Science, University of Michigan. Lancaster County Library is Miss Mercer's sponsor. She will be the Lancaster county librarian when she returns from library school.

All the scholarship recipients, except Miss Mercer, has had public library experience through the summer intern program of the State Library Board. Miss Mercer was a library aide at the Cairo (Georgia) Public Library for several summers.

LIBRARY INTERNS CONFERENCE

The twenty-two college students who are gaining experience in South Carolina public libraries this summer will meet at the Richland County Public Library on August 11 at 10:30 a.m. Their immediate supervisor will also attend as will State Library Board officials concerned with the program.

The purpose of the conference is to discuss and evaluate the project and make recommendations for its future operation.

The intern program is a part of the personnel project of the State Library Board and is designed as an introduction to the library profession for qualified college students. The Public Library Section of the South Carolina Library Association is co-sponsor for the program.

Feature Article on Intern

The Greenwood Index-Journal interviewed John H. Landrum interning at the Greenwood City and County Public Library, and the resulting article complete with three pictures illustrating phases of library work explained the personnel program of the State Library Board and described the services of the Greenwood Library.

STUDENT-TEACHER BROCHURES ON LIBRARY USE

The State Library Board has prepared two brochures on the use of the public library by school students. One is directed to teachers and administrators. It is intended to assist the teachers in guiding students to make the best possible use of the public library and also to define the extent of service which school personnel may expect from the public library. The second brochure, intended for students, is planned to help them make more intelligent use of library resources and to explain the services available as well as the requirements which the library must make of them as patrons.

Copies of these brochures are available in quantity to any public library in the state. To obtain them librarians should send a request to the State Library Board, specifying the number needed for teachers and for students, accompanied by a plan for use of the brochures. The plan should include the following points:

1. Methods of introducing brochures to teachers and administrators.
2. Methods of introducing brochures to students.
3. Use of brochures within the library.

Requests and correspondence should be directed to Miss Norma Lightsey, Field Service Librarian.

The following suggestions for possible uses for the brochures have been made:

1. Presentation at August in-service training session for teachers.
2. Presentation at faculty meetings in each junior and senior high school.
3. Special conferences with English and/or history teachers.
4. Arrangements with school librarians.
5. Inclusion of brochures in school system's manual for teachers.
6. Mailings to teachers or parents when special problems arise.
7. Distribution to students in library orientation, English, or history classes.
8. Distribution in student assembly following talk by public librarian.
9. Distribution by library staff to students showing need of guidance.
10. Contracts with AAUW, Delta Kappa Gamma, or other educational, civic, or parents organizations.
11. Releases to local and school papers.
12. Display within the library.

FROM THE TRUSTEE DEPARTMENT

Mrs. Harold Rice, Mrs. Edward Neeley, and R. L. Zeigler are the Bamberg County representatives on the board of the Aiken-Bamberg-Barnwell-Edgefield Regional Library Board.

Mrs. Ernest L. Dickinson has succeeded Mrs. Dowling Woodham as chairman of the Lee County Public Library.

Longtime Berkeley Trustee Resigns

At the June 1964 meeting of the Board of Directors, Mrs. M. M. Murray resigned as chairman, and Dr. and Mrs. W. K. Fishburne resigned from active participation on the board of the Berkeley County Library but consented to become honorary members.

Mrs. Murray and the Fishburnes have worked unceasingly for the library since the formation of the Berkeley County Library Association in 1936. Mrs. Murray has been reelected president every year since then.

Miss Marie Harvey was elected president, and Mrs. A. H. Kennedy and Mrs. Moultrie Ball are now members of the board.

PICKENS LIBRARY HONORS NATIVE SON

On April 16, 1964, the Pickens Branch of the Pickens County Library paid tribute to Dr. E. Gaine Cannon, whose biography Mountain Doctor by LeGette Blythe had just been published.

A tea and autograph party were held in the library with Dr. Cannon and Mr. Blythe autographing copies of the biography.

Mary Aiken, Pickens County Librarian, was instrumental in planning the celebration and at ceremonies later in the afternoon presented a watch to Dr. Cannon on behalf of the people of Pickens. Dr. Cannon is the founder of the Cannon Memorial Hospital in Pickens and the Albert Schweitzer Memorial Hospital in Balsam Grove, N. C.

TWO STATIONS ADD CARNIVAL OF BOOKS

Radio Station WJMX, Florence, is broadcasting the Carnival of Books on Saturday mornings, 10:45 - 11:00 a.m.

Station WESC, Greenville, will carry the program through the month of August, 7:30 - 7:45 p.m. on Tuesdays.

The programs scheduled on these and radio stations WCSC (Saturday 10:15 a.m.), WSPA (Saturday 1:15 p.m.), and WIS (Tuesday 8:20 p.m.) are:

Week of:	August 2	Montgomery, Rutherford. <u>Kildee House.</u>
"	August 9	Clark, Ann Nolan. <u>Secret of the Andes.</u>
"	August 16	Holling, Holling C. <u>Paddle-to-the Sea.</u>
"	August 23	Moody, Ralph. <u>Little Britches.</u>

NEW MAILING REGULATIONS

The use of the term "Library Materials" for marking articles to be mailed is being discontinued. Wrappers or envelopes on hand bearing this marking may be used until exhausted.

Books which otherwise qualify at the special rate should be endorsed on the address side with the words, SPECIAL FOURTH-CLASS RATE - BOOKS. 16-millimeter films and 16-millimeter film catalogs entitled to the special rate should now be marked. SPECIAL FOURTH-CLASS RATE - 16 mm FILM or 16 mm FILM CATALOG.

In the case of the special rate given qualified library materials, the endorsement which was formerly LIBRARY MATERIALS should now be changed to LIBRARY RATE. This marking must be placed conspicuously on the address side of each package.

It should be kept in mind the changes described above pertain only to the marking placed on these types of mail. The rates have not changed, nor have there been any changes in the type of article entitled to the special rates of 10 cents for the first pound and 5 cents for each additional pound. Similarly, the rate for library materials continues to be 4 cents for the first pound and 1 cent for each additional pound.

FROM ANNUAL REPORTS

"1963-64 has been a good year for the library. There has been a decided increase in the use of the library for reference and research work . . . The new reference books added under the Reference Materials Project have been most helpful.

"This increase in the use of the library presents the old problem of lack of adequate space and the need for additional staff."

——— Anderson County Library, Annual Report 1963-64.

"The content of the reference collection has been greatly enhanced this year by the expenditure of a \$3,000.00 grant under the Library Services Act (LSA). This project brought the five year total of federal funds allocated by the S. C. State Library Board to this library for the purchase of books to \$13,959.03 . . . Interlibrary loan continues to be an important service through which the resources available to our patrons are indefinitely expanded . . . In five years 758 volumes have been borrowed, 227 of them in the year just ended . . . Other LSA projects using federal funds have involved both people and equipment. In five years the Library has had six summer interns. The grants which helped to defray their salaries total \$1,600.00 . . . Outright grants of money were not involved in the training for staff members, but under SLB projects three staff members have attended four training sessions of from two to six weeks duration which have given them greater competence and confidence . . . This year for the first time there was a grant of \$1,500.00 for the purchase of equipment which would improve service to the public. Under this grant the library purchased a sign-maker, a mimeograph, an opaque projector, two electric erasers, a pasting machine, display letters, and a record player with earphones for library listening . . . Housing is beginning to be a most pressing problem all around the system. Loris Branch has not been relocated, though its growing circulation makes its needs painfully evident. Aynor Branch needs more shelving and Conway Branch is bursting at the seams. In the main library there is an acute shortage of shelving."

——— Horry County Memorial Library, Fifteenth Annual Report.

"One glance at the year's statistical report, or one question put to any staff member, confirms the report that library use and services in Greenwood County are growing rapidly. Circulation figures show an increase of 19,729 volumes circulated during the past twelve months over the 126,951 volumes circulated the year before. This figure, although impressive, does not give an adequate picture of the increase in activity in all the library services. Children piling into the children's room, the branches and the bookmobile for

summer vacation reading; college and high school students using every available chair and table in the reference room during the winter months; and increased use of the main library by more adults all during the year, help to complete the picture of a great deal of increased activity throughout the Greenwood County library system

"We agreed to try to raise our local 38% (or approximately \$1,433.00) to meet the terms of two incoming federal grants: one for \$1,500.00 for Book Collection Improvement in reference materials; and one for \$1,000.00 for purchase of equipment and audio-visual aids materials. These two federal grants have brought the amount of federal funds received by our library up to a total of \$17,186.56 since 1958."

————Greenwood City and County Public Library, Annual Report, 1963-64.

SOUTHERN BOOKS COMPETITION DINNER AT SELA

During the SELA Convention the Southern Books Competition Committee is planning a dinner meeting with P. J. Conkwright of the Princeton University Press as the speaker on Thursday evening, October 29, at the Golden Triangle, Norfolk, Virginia. Advanced reservations for the dinner (\$4.50) may be obtained from Charles M. Adams, University of North Carolina at Greensboro.

A display of the Awards for 1964 will be set up in Booth 75 of the Convention Hall. Information about borrowing this exhibition may be obtained from the Director, Lawrence Thompson, University of Kentucky Libraries.

CALDECOTT AND NEWBERY BOOKS LEAFLETS

The new Caldecott Medal Books leaflet and the Newbery Medal Books leaflet in slim new format and both in color are now available. The Caldecott Medal Books folder is planned for use with parents and the Newbery Medal Books folder for use with children. The lists must be ordered directly from ALA Children's Services Division Office. Prices for either (or a combination of both): 10 for \$1.00; 100 for \$8.00; 500 for \$32.50; 1000 for \$50.00.

CAROLINIANA

Mullen, Harris H. The Cash-Shannon Duel; also Duels around Camden. Trend House, P. O. Box 2350, 1711 West Kennedy Boulevard, Tampa, Florida. \$5.95.

Waring, Joseph Ioor. A history of medicine in South Carolina. 1670-1825. S. C. Medical Association, 1964. \$7.50.

YOUR PROBLEMS

by Anne Library

Dear Anne:

I'm not a librarian, but I am one of our local library's best patrons. I read your column recently, and I think perhaps you can help me with my library problem. One of our librarian's favorite replies to my inquiries for books and information is: "I'm sorry, but we don't have that book." I realize that our local library is small and cannot possibly satisfy my insatiable quest for more and more reading material. On the other hand, I see a sign over the librarian's desk which tells of interlibrary loan. My librarian has never offered to secure books for me when the books I need are not included in the library's collection. I have a friend in another county who secures books on interlibrary loan through her local library. Why the inconsistency? Why can't my librarian do the same for me?

"I'm Sorry Too"

Dear "I'm Sorry Too":

It's a pity that your librarian does not make use of the reference and interlibrary loan services available in this state. She is disregarding one of the best methods of supplementing her library's book collection. Naturally, few libraries can supply all the informational needs of their patrons, and interlibrary loan is an excellent method of getting a book for a patron when it cannot be purchased because of cost or limited demand. The next time you need a book which is not available in your library, ask your librarian about interlibrary loan. Tell her that you've read the sign above her desk, and I'm sure that she will cooperate with you. Perhaps you can help your librarian discover how easy it is to bring the library resources of the whole state to serve the people of her community.

Anne Library

SYMPATHY TO

The family of Mrs. Blanche G. Hamer who died July 26, 1964. Mrs. Hamer retired as librarian of the Marlboro County Library in 1952 after having served for 15 years.

SELF-INKING RUBBER STAMP

A self-inking rubber stamp which is guaranteed to make 25,000 - 30,000 impressions is now available. Prices vary, according to number of lines and the width of the stamp, from \$3.00 to \$7.50. For details write Perma-Stamp Sales, 234 Pineneedle Road, Columbia, S. C. 29203.

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